

# NEWS RELEASE

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### THREE KENTUCKY CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES AWARDED NATIONAL ACCREDITATION

*Every three years institutions go through a rigorous audit detailing more than 450 mandatory and non-mandatory standards by the American Correctional Association*

FRANKFORT, KY – Kentucky Department of Corrections Commissioner Tom Campbell welcomed the announcement that three correctional facilities had received re-accreditation through the American Correctional Association (ACA). The Kentucky State Reformatory (KSR) in LaGrange, the Kentucky Correctional Institution for Women (KCIW) in Pewee Valley and Luther Luckett Correctional Complex (LLCC) in Oldham County were presented with the award at the ACA Winter Conference in Nashville, Tennessee earlier this year.

All three institutions met 100-percent of the thirty-eight mandatory standards. For the remaining 425 non-mandatory standards, KSR received an overall score of 99-percent, KCIW received a 98.8-percent and LLCC received a score of 99.3-percent. ACA recognized KSR Warden William Seabold, KCIW Warden Doris Deuth, LLCC Warden Larry Chandler and their respective staff for the high level of professionalism and success in completing the accreditation process.

“These scores and the recognition by ACA just proves each facility’s outstanding commitment to the citizens of the commonwealth,” said Commissioner Campbell. Each institution has a Certification Team whose members are assigned responsibility for specific standards, including determining compliance, compiling documentation, preparing plans of action and developing policies and procedures.

The accreditation program is a professional peer review process based on national standards developed by leaders from the field of corrections, law, architecture, health care and other groups interested in sound correctional management.

ACA standards address services, programs and operations essential to effective correctional management. Through accreditation, an agency is able to maintain a balance between protecting the public and providing an environment that safeguards the life, health and safety of staff and offenders. Standards set by ACA reflect practical up-to-date policies and procedures and function as a management tool for agencies and facilities throughout the world.

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The three-year accreditation award granted to the Kentucky State Reformatory, the Kentucky Correctional Institution for Women and Luther Lockett Correctional Complex does not signal the end of their involvement in the accreditation process. During the award period, staff will maintain thorough records, improve any deficiencies identified during the audit and continually comply with the standards.

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**EDITOR'S NOTE:** For more information on each institution's accreditation, please contact the institution. Pictures of the facilities can be downloaded from the Internet at [www.cor.state.ky.us](http://www.cor.state.ky.us) under the Adult Institutions link.

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